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Bulletin

January 2, 2011

“Epiphany Sunday”

8:45 am

God’s Call and Our Commitment:

**To be an authentic and accessible community in Christ,
celebrating and extending God’s love into the world.**

We welcome the diversity of all God’s children.

CONSIDER THIS:

“Write your name in kindness, love, and mercy on the hearts of thousands you come in contact with year by year, and you will never be forgotten.” -Thomas Chalmers

*(Please complete the registration card found in the bulletin and place in the offering.
Prayers and comments may be written on the back of the card.)*

PRAISING GOD

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” -UMH 57

GREETING

“He Is Exalted”

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name!

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign;

Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: From near and far, we gather together to worship the newborn King.

People: We have followed the star of Bethlehem to this point.

Leader: We are in awe of the mystery.

People: What can we offer this King of Glory?

Leader: We can offer our hearts.

People: We can make room for the light of Christ within us.

Leader: May all of our lives reflect this holy light.

All: Alleluia! Christ is among us.

“What Child is This?” –UMH 219

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,

to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

SHARING GOD’S WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN



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SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 60:1-6 (NRSV)*

- Laura & Sarah LaFoe

Arise, shine; for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER

“Kyrie”

Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison (sing twice)

Christe, Christe eleison (sing twice)

Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison (sing twice)

Prayers of the People

“Kyrie”

Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison (sing twice)

Christe, Christe eleison (sing twice)

Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison (sing twice)

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 2:1-12 (NRSV)*

-Laura & Sarah LaFoe

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

-Praise Disciples

THE MESSAGE

“Follow Your Nose”

-Rev. George Hooper



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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” -UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

-UMH 39

Amber Schneider and Jackson Swetland

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please join in “A Service of Word and Table III” in the hymnal, pages 15-16. The United Methodist Church practices an open table for Holy Communion. You need not be a member of this or any church to come forward for the bread and cup. God’s grace is free to all.

APPLYING THE WORD - *Sharing ways to respond to God’s work in our lives through our Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness.*

TAKING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

“Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace, go now in peace,
may the love of God surround you everywhere,
everywhere, you may go.

BLESSING

Note: Call to Worship written by Lyn Berry.

Flowers are given by Felix, Leila, Melody, Ryan and Ivan Fernandez for the many blessings the Lord has given us and in appreciation of the Praise Band and Chancel Choir and inspiring sermons from Pastor George.



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The Sanctuary is open after services for personal prayer and meditation.

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